

One Intelligence.

What means this plague of gnats? Scientific sharp to the front.

The relief of Gordon is a small thing beside the relief of Cleveland and the besieged Democratic party. It is time for the expedition to start.

Are they going to make more defenses of Governor Cleveland? Or will they enter a plea of guilty and throw him on the mercy of the Court?

There is the issue everywhere, Republicans are forcing the fighting and Democrats cannot dodge it. In West Virginia State questions are driving the enemy to the walls.

It would be interesting to read what the Chinese newspapers are saying about the collisions with the French. Unfortunately our esteemed Chinese exchanges are delayed.

Mr. ESTACK GIBSON, in his speech at Parkersburg, said of Marshal Atkinson: "Either he and his gang must go, or I'll go." Suppose you go, Mr. Gibson. You are making the people tired.

The Philadelphia Press notes Democratic denationalism in West Virginia. Denationalized? Was that unfortunate individual denationalized who "went up in January and never came down till June"?

BLAKE is very much such a man as Henry Clay was. Therefore, argue the wicked, Blake will be beaten as Clay was, but it was the loss of New York that defeated Clay. Blake will carry New York.

As an argument against Mr. Blake it is said that he is worth a round million. We doubt whether he is worth the half of it. He is so well-to-do the campaign will not be for a little ready money, for Mr. Blake is a liberal man.

Now this is what the New York Sun, an intensely Democratic paper, says: "In whatever aspect we view him, Grover Cleveland is not a suitable man for President of the United States." And a "large majority" of the people agree.

Now they are beginning to say that Mr. Hendricks ought never to have written that letter about Cleveland's moral character. To say that the public has nothing to do with the private character of a public man is to set up a code of morals to which honest men will not subscribe.

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THE FIELD REVIEWED.

FROM MAINE TO WEST VIRGINIA.

An Able Correspondent Summs Up the Political Situation—The Republican Cause Looks Exceedingly Bright and will Grow Brighter Until November.

PHILADELPHIA, August 29.—A correspondent of the Press writing from New York sums up the political situation. The New York "hotters" are full of politicians, coming from North, South, East and West. They fly off for two or three days to Long Branch, Saratoga, Newport or even Bar Harbor, but they all find their way back here, either to advise with the National Committee of their party or to press upon Elkins or Barnum the claims of their respective State or Congressional districts for recognition and financial assistance. In the rotunda of the Fifth Avenue Hotel today I saw at one time a crowd of politicians from Maine, North Carolina; Pinckney, of Louisiana; Kellough, of Louisiana; Barlow, of Virginia; Gorman, of Maryland; Davis, of West Virginia; Plumb, of Kansas; Grosvener, of Ohio, and a dozen other men equally representative of something of the political and coming from wide apart sections of the country. The headquarters of both parties are now opened, the Democrats being the "hotters" in the field. They are busy with their tardiness by the extravagance of their arrangements. It is by talking with the men thus gathered together, men of views varying according to their points of view, that one can best ascertain the current feeling of the country. The current feeling is an organization of plain, the most trustworthy diagnosis of the political situation in respect to the probable issue of the canvass. And yet to make this diagnosis really trustworthy one must have previously gone about the country a little and talked with people who are not politicians. For two or three weeks I have been doing a little in this line, sampling the tendency of voters more or less in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont and most of all in Maine. Meanwhile a good deal has been picked up at the watering places like Long Branch and Bar Harbor, where people of all shades of opinion are wont to congregate, and the "hotters" of the "Presidential year" political discussion is always going on.

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HORRIBLE HOLOCAUST.

A CIRCUS TRAIN CATCHES FIRE.

And a Number of the Attaches Roasted Alive—The Shrieks of the Dying Mimed With the Roar of Wild Beasts—A Sickening Spectacle—List of the Killed.

DENVER, Colo., August 29.—The New York special says: The burning of a circus train, nine miles north of Greeley, was attended with indescribable horrors. The burned car was next to the engine. The train consisted of seventeen cars, containing Orton's Anglo-American circus, which left Fort Collins about midnight, for Golden City over the Greeley, Salt Lake & Pacific road. The train was nearing Windsor station, near Greeley, running about twenty-five miles an hour, when the engineer discovered the car to be on fire. He reversed his engine and threw open the whistle valve. There were sixty men in the car, arranged in three tiers of berths on either side. The forward side door was closed and men in bunks were sleeping against it. The rear side door was closed, and the men who awoke discovered the lower unoccupied berth next to it, containing rubbish on fire, filling the car with smoke and cutting off escape in that direction. The main means of egress was through a small window between the car and engine. John Pinc, of Edgemoor, Wis., and Elmer Millet, of Iowa, crawled through the window and tried to pass in the water. The window was jammed shut by the escaping gases it was difficult to arouse the sleepers. Some were kicked and bruised in a shocking manner and pitched out of the window. The screams of those who were not yet dead, the shrieks of the blockaded captives were terrible.

AN APPALLING SPECTACLE.

The wild glare of the flames and the light of the burning car showed the victims outside, who writhing in agony on the ground, the wild beasts in the adjoining car to become frantic with terror, making the scene appalling. The performers who occupied the rear car, which was white with faces on the awful scene.

IN THE MIDDLE of the confusion two or three heroic souls, who appeared equal to the occasion, bravely cut their way to the rear of the train, and in the twinkling of an eye they had reached the rear of the train, where they found the animals and their friends, and walked over the coaches in their bare feet, pouring buckets of oil on the blazed infernos and wrapped them in blankets. An old sailor named McKim, formerly of Portsmouth, N. H., was terribly burned, the flesh hanging in shreds. The head of the train, which was the engine, was also on fire, and the flames were spreading rapidly.

THE INDEPENDENTS.

The Independent Republican managers, so far as the bolting movement has any managers, talk vaguely of reports showing their strength in the State to be 70,000, but no well-informed politician believes such a thing. The last election showed their voting strength does not put it above 10,000. In New Jersey the anti-Blake element never had existence, except in the news directly tributary to New York, and in the State of New York, where the same story of disaffected Republicans returning to their allegiance, and Democratic successes just in proportion to the dissemination of the story of Cleveland's real character, the removal of false impressions, and the exposure of the "hotters" of the "Presidential year" political discussion is always going on.

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A SUMMER SIMOON.

IN THE LOWER OHIO VALLEY.

Terrible Disaster Wrought at Evansville and Vicinity—Houses Blown Down—A Transfer Steamer Captured by the Wind—Fifteen Persons Drowned.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., August 29.—The Times-Bardston, Ky., special says: The storm this morning did much damage to Nelson county crops and houses. At Bloomfield, Broadbent's large carriage manufactory was destroyed. The bridges were all washed away. The rain of last night and this morning was very heavy.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., August 29.—At nine o'clock this morning the most destructive hurricane ever known here broke upon Evansville doing a damage of not less than a quarter of a million of dollars in the city and vicinity. Houses were blown down and roofs carried away. Three or four steamboats were badly injured. Thousands of shade trees were torn up by the roots and other injury done. It is impossible to give the total amount of damage. It will probably be half that of the figures given. The heaviest individual loss is John H. Roelker, whose new journey was almost completely destroyed. The steamers, J. V. Throp and Silver T. Smith, were damaged, the former almost wrecked. Several churches suffered severely, also one of the new school houses.

A STEAMSHIP CAPSIZED.

By a Terrible Hurricane, and Fifteen Persons Drowned.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., August 29.—The loss of the transfer steamer Belmont, and the drowning of ten to fifteen persons has been confirmed. The hurricane this forenoon, capped the boat at Stanley's landing, three miles above Henderson, turning her completely over. She was going to Henderson with a large and a train containing passengers of the Louisville & Nashville railroad. The boat separated from the large. All on the latter were saved, and all on the boat except four or five were lost. Among the lost is Captain Geo. Smith, E. C. Roach and Son, a prominent merchant of Evansville, Miss Laura Agon and sister, Sallie Bryant, teachers here and mother. Also Mrs. Woodruff, of Henderson, and a lady and child with a child with a card in it marked "Miss Mattie Brookfield, Ala." The bodies of the three latter were found. The boat is a total loss.

A Village Wiped Out.

CINCINNATI, Ind., August 29.—The daily News-Courier, Ill., special says: Late reports from the country tell of great damage done by the storm this morning. The village of Centerville, eight miles north, was completely demolished. At Phillipsport a number of buildings were blown down. All over the county farm houses and barns were destroyed. The dwelling of Sylvester Toland, a farmer near Centerville, tottering over killed one child and severely injured two others, and fatally hurt his wife.

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